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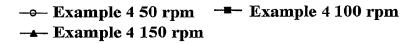
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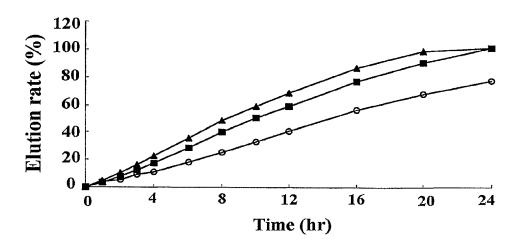
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(54) Title: SUSTAINED RELEASE FORMULATION FOR ORAL ADMINISTRATION OF HMG-COA REDUCTASE INHIBITOR AND METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF





(57) Abstract: The sustained release formulation for oral administration of an HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor of the present invention can be easily and economically prepared and is capable of maintaining a constant drug level in blood by slowly releasing the HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor at a uniform rate for 24 hrs. Accordingly, the sustained release formulation of the present invention can be effectively used for lowering blood cholesterol and triglyceride levels.

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